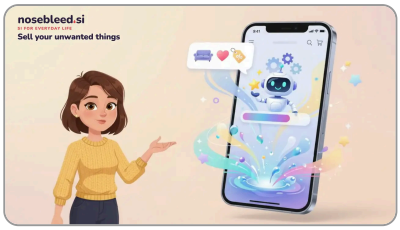
# Sell things you no longer need




Use AI to write a clear, honest listing, and learn to spot the common buyer scams.

**By the end, you'll be able to:**

- write an honest description with AI's help
- think about a fair price
- spot buyer scams, and sell safely

## Warm-up What would you sell?

Talk about it with your group. Have you ever sold anything online, or at a car boot sale?

## 1 Describe it honestly

Pam wants to sell an armchair. Here are her notes.

**PAM'S NOTES**
Green armchair, about 10 years old. Comfy. Small mark on one arm. No pets, no smoking. 80 cm wide. Collection only. Would like about £40.

What should a buyer know before they come to collect it? Write three things.

## 2 Ask AI to write the listing

If you have a device, try this prompt with Pam's notes.

**TRY THIS PROMPT**

Please write a short, friendly and honest listing to sell this armchair online. Include the size and the small mark, and say it's collection only. Please don't make it sound better than it is. Here are my notes:

## 3 Check the listing

An AI wrote this. Find **two** things that aren't right.

**EXAMPLE AI LISTING**

Beautiful green armchair in perfect condition, like new! Very comfortable, from a pet-free, smoke-free home. 80 cm wide. Free delivery within 10 miles. £40.

## 4 Scam or fine?

Tick what you think about each message from a buyer.

| | Fine | Scam |
|---|---|---|
| "Is it still available? Can I come on Saturday?" | | |
| "I'll pay £60, more than you asked. Just click my payment link." | | |
| "I'll send a courier. Please send me the code you get by text." | | |
| "Can you send me a photo of the mark?" | | |

## 5 Sell safely

- Only hand the item over once the money is in your account (check your banking app), or take cash.
- Never share passwords or security codes. To pay you by bank transfer, a buyer only needs your name, sort code and account number.
- Arrange collection when someone else is with you.

**Find out more:** read the free step-by-step guide, with a 10-second video, at **nosebleed.si/ideas/sell-your-unwanted-things**

# Teacher notes: Sell things you no longer need

**Time:** 45 to 60 minutes

**Level:** beginners; no AI experience needed

**Group:** any size; works well in pairs

**You'll need:** a copy per learner; phones or tablets with an AI chat app (optional)

## Before the session

Try the prompt with Pam's notes. Scam messages like those in Part 4 are common on selling sites, so this is a good chance to talk about them.

## Running order

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| **5 min** | **Warm-up.** Selling experiences. |
| **10 min** | **Part 1.** What a buyer needs to know. |
| **15 min** | **Parts 2 and 3.** Try the prompt, then check the listing. |
| **15 min** | **Parts 4 and 5.** Scam or fine, then selling safely. |
| **5 min** | **Wrap-up.** Honest listing, safe sale. |

## Answers: Part 1

The size (80 cm wide), the small mark, and that it's collection only.

## Answers: Part 3

1. "Perfect condition, like new" isn't true: it's 10 years old and has a mark.
2. Free delivery was made up: it's collection only.

An honest listing avoids disappointed buyers and disputes.

## Answers: Part 4

**Fine:** asking if it's available; asking for a photo of the mark.
**Scam:** offering more than the price with a payment link; asking for a code sent by text (it could let them into your accounts).

## Discussion points

- Fake "payment received" emails are common. Check your own banking app.
- AI can suggest a price, but it may not know today's prices. Look at similar items for sale.


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